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TO AMEMBASSY BUCHAREST IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS - ROMANIAN EMIGRATION
PROCEDURES

1. SENATOR RIBICOFF INTENDS TO FOCUS ON EMIGRATION PROCEDURES AT JUNE 27 SENATE HEARINGS. HE WILL BE DRAWING ON EXCELLENT EMBASSY DESCRIPTION OF THEM PREPARED LAST YEAR, WHICH WAS GIVEN TO RIBICOFF STAFFER JEFF SALZMAN BY AMBASSADOR BARNES. SALZMAN HAS TOLD DESK OFFICER HE UNDERSTANDS THIS EMBASSY REPORT WAS GIVEN TO HIM IN CONFIDENCE, AND IT WILL NOT BE ENTERED INTO PUBLIC RECORD IN ITS ENTIRETY. INSTEAD, EXTRACTS, WITH SOME MODIFICATIONS OF LANGUAGE, WILL BE PRESENTED BY RIBICOFF AS HIS UNDERSTANDING OF HOW PROCEDURES WORK. NEVERTHELESS, WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE FAIRLY OBVIOUS THAT EMBASSY WAS AT LEAST ONE SOURCE.

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2. IF REPORT NEEDS TO BE UPDATED, PLEASE CABLE CHANGES TO DEPARTMENT IMMEDIATELY.

3. RIBICOFF ALSO WISHES TO SUGGEST SIMPLIFICATION AND IMPROVEMENT OF PROCEDURES. AMBASSADOR NICOLAE HAS TOLD HIM SUGGESTIONS WOULD BE WELCOME. WE INTEND TO PASS SALZMAN

FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS:

- A. APPLICANT SHOULD BE ABLE TO APPLY FOR EMIGRATION DIRECTLY TO PASSPORT OFFICE, RATHER THAN AT PLACE OF WORK.
- B. PRESSURE ON APPLICANT TO RECONSIDER SHOULD BE ELIMINATED.
- C. PRE-APPLICATION PROCEDURE SHOULD BE ELIMINATED.
- D. REASONABLE TIME PERIOD SHOULD BE SET IN WHICH GOR MUST RESPOND TO APPLICATION, SUCH AS TWO MONTHS.
- E. NUMBER OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED SHOULD BE REDUCED.
- F. APPLICANT AND HIS/HER RELATIVES SHOULD NOT SUFFER REDUCTION OF JOB STATUS OR OTHER UNDESIRABLE CONSEQUENCES.
- G. POST-APPROVAL PROCESS (TAX,POLICE AND CUSTOMS CLEARANCE AND LIQUIDATION OF PROPERTY) SHOULD BE STREAMLINED AND FINANCIAL LOSS TO EMIGRANT MINIMIZED.

4. WE MAY ALSO WISH TO SUGGEST THAT APPLICANT BE COUNSELED BY ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES AT EARLY STAGE TO CONTACT EMBASSY OF COUNTRY TO WHICH HE SEEKS TO EMIGRATE, SO THAT PROCESS OF DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY VISA MAY PROCEED PARALLEL WITH ROMANIAN EXIT APPROVAL.

5. REQUEST IMMEDIATE EMBASSY COMMENT. VANCE

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